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Sir:

Responsive to the communication mailed September 7, 2001, kindly enter the following preliminary amendments to the application prior to examination on the merits.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the indicated paragraphs with the amended paragraphs below.

Replace the paragraph at page 8, lines 1-6, with:

Fig 1: Murine cDNA sequence encoding the CRAM-1 and CRAM-2 proteins.

muCRAM-1 (SEQ ID NO.: 11) was subcloned in pcDNA3 vector and sequenced using Sp6 and T7 primers. muCRAM-2 (SEQ ID NO.: 12) was obtained as an IMAGE clone from EST library (Ac: AA690843 and W80145) and was sequenced in the pT7T3-Dpac vector using T7 and T3 primers.

Replace the paragraph at page 8, lines 18-19, with: